

LAWSON PRODUCTS INC/NEW/DE/  
Form 8-K  
January 20, 2006

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**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

**Pursuant to Section 13 OR 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

**January 19, 2006**

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)

**LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**

(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation)

**0-10546**

(Commission File Number)

**36-2229304**

(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**1666 East Touhy Avenue  
Des Plaines, Illinois**

(Address of principal executive offices)

**60018**

(Zip Code)

**(847) 827-9666**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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N/A

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01 Other Events.**

On January 19, 2006, Lawson Products, Inc. (the Company) announced that it has been cooperating with an investigation by the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois, which executed a search warrant for records and files at the Company's headquarters and has submitted a document subpoena to which the Company is responding. The on-going investigation involves whether Company representatives have provided inappropriate gifts to purchasing agents, including government purchasing agents. The Board of Directors of the Company has formed a special committee to oversee an internal investigation of the matter. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

**Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued by Lawson Products, Inc. on January 19, 2006.

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**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**LAWSON PRODUCTS, INC.**

(Registrant)

Dated: January 20, 2006

By: /s/ Scott Stephens

Name: Scott Stephens

Title: Chief Financial Officer